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Blunt gears up as guest editor of Metro

Cherry loves hockey moms

SPORTS Don Cherry always has a soft spot for hockey moms, the flamboyant Hockey Night in Canada icon said during a rare visit yesterday in Edmonton.

"There's no greater thing than a mother's love as far as I am concerned," said "Grapes," as he's nicknamed, in wrapping up a CV Technologies-sponsored campaign to salute hockey moms.

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Don Cherry

Cherry relayed how his mom tired of watching him playing with the Barrie Flyers with hockey gloves that were full of holes.

"(My coach) was the cheapest guy in the world and he cut rubber tubes to hold our shin pads and I remember him giving me gloves with holes in them," said Cherry. "My mother — and we didn't have much money — she saw the gloves and she went and bought me a new pair."

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Watch Don Cherry salute Canada's hockey moms at metronews.ca/local

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New Bond fast-paced, yet anti-climactic

ROBIN KUNISKI / METRO CALGARY

Clockwise from top left, Leanne Wilkinson, Brandy Munro, Ashlee Holmes, Sherri Nielson, Charlene Oka and Lee Bazinet shaved their heads at the Ronald McDonald House in support of kids who are suffering from cancer and to raise money for the House.

Taking cancer head-on

Moms clear their heads, raise $16K for McDonald House

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Hoping to start a new trend, a dozen mothers shaved their heads at the Ronald McDonald House in support of their children.

"It actually felt kind of cool and maybe I just might keep this as my new hairstyle for 2009," mother Sherri Nielson laughed.

Nielson's daughter Leeza, who is turning six later this month, was diagnosed with a form of leukemia and recently lost her hair, so she asked her mother if she would also shave her head.

"I thought about it and decided she has endured so much, this is the least I can do to let her know I understand what she is going through," Neilson said.

"She's my hero and I did this for her."

A group of parents at the Ronald McDonald House got behind the cause and also shaved their heads to raise money for the house — $16,000 and counting, to be exact.

"We just felt like we could give back because they have helped us all out so much, it's the least we can do," Nielson said on behalf of the women.

"(My daughter) has endured so much, this is the least I can do to let her know I understand what she is going through."
Sherri Nielson

Mary Moran, the president of the house's board of directors, said the money raised will go a long way toward helping other families and children in need.

"I'm always in awe of the courage they have and these women are absolutely the heroes of today," Moran said, as the women had their heads shaved by students of the Delmar College of Hair Design.

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Bronco bucking tax hike revolt

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Mayor Dave Bronconnier and finance chair Gord Lowe hoped to fend off a full-fledged property tax revolt Thursday, announcing a plan to lower the proposed 23.3 per cent hike by 3.8 per cent.

"We need to continue to be very mindful of the economy and the market, and do our level best to minimize the property tax burden on our citizens — it's a balancing act," Bronconnier said.

His plan will increase the Enmax dividend by $24 million and hack EMS funding aside from 2009's first quarter as the province will take over April 1.

The announcement came just hours after seven aldermen declared their intention to send the budget back to administration for deeper cuts in all areas except emergency services.

Aldermen Jim Stevenson, Ric McIver, Ray Jones, John Mar, Dale Hodges, Andre Chabot and Joe Connelly will table their motion Monday.

Ald. Diane Colley-Urquhart also said she'd support the move, giving the eight votes needed to defeat the budget.

Watch aldermen speak out against the mayor's budget at metronews.ca/local

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Two people in critical condition after early morning rollover
Three people were sent to hospital yesterday after a rollover along Highway 1 near Old Coach Banff Road around 4 a.m. The male driver and female passenger were ejected from the car and remain in hospital in critical condition. A third passenger escaped with minor injuries. METRO CALGARY

Local

50,000 lights turned on tonight

Calgary's largest outdoor tree lighting will take place at the Sunridge Mall tonight from 6 to 9 p.m. A 44-foot tree will feature 50,000 lights that fade from red to amber — and here's a tip: Santa will arrive at 7 p.m. on a fire truck from Station No. 4 to help light up the sky. METRO CALGARY

News in brief

SENTENCING Adrian John Walle, 25, was sentenced to life in prison with no chance of parole for 13 years yesterday in the shooting death of southwest pub owner Jeffrey Schuckburgh.

ARREST City cops arrested a man after a report of threats resulted in a search warrant on his Forest Lawn home, allegedly turning up a weapon, ammunition and a small quantity of crack cocaine. METRO CALGARY

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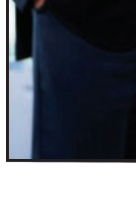

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'Feed and weed' banned

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A newly announced ban on herbicide-fertilizer combination products announced by the provincial government yesterday has drawn kudos from environmental groups.

As of January 1, 2010 herbicide-fertilizer combinations will no longer be allowed to be sold or used in Alberta, and that makes Ward 12 alderman Ric McIver happy.

"People need to fertilize all their lawn but they don't need the pesticide portion all over their lawn, just on the weeds," McIver said, adding now consumers can look at using other products for their lawn.

And while executive director of the Clean Calgary Association Natalie Odd is also pleased, she wishes the ban commenced sooner.

"People need to fertilize all their lawn but they don't need the pesticide portion all over their lawn, just on the weeds."
Ald. Ric McIver

"But I understand it takes time to put something like this in place and take the products off the shelf. I'm just happy the government is recognizing the effects to the environment and human health," Odd said.

Products intended for spot application to weeds will still be available for sale and use, according to Alberta Environmental minister Rob Renner.

ROBIN KUNISKI/FOR METRO CALGARY

Police and EMS were called to Marlborough Elementary for the second straight day in response to another spray incident. Police found a canister nearby.

Spray for second day

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City police are investigating after emergency services were called to a northeast school for reports of an irritant for the second time in two days.

While Marlborough Elementary School wasn't evacuated the second time, paramedics examined 30 to 50 children, according to EMS spokesperson Paul Lapointe.

"The unique thing is we were actually on our way back to the school to give kudos to the students and staff from yesterday when the call came in," he said. "So our response time was actually like 10 seconds because we were just outside the door."

This time police believe a can of repellent was spread over the exterior of three rear school doors, possibly before recess. One such can was found near the school.

When the kids returned to class, they complained of sore eyes and lips, District 5 Sgt. Kelly Grant said.

But mother Amanda Kelln was upset when she pulled up to the school to drop her second child off after a doctor's appointment.

"It's really unnerving to pull up and see all the fire trucks and ambulances and police cars not knowing what is going on. Nobody let us know what happened," she said.

FACE TO FACE

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Transit gets behind Stamps

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Gamer amped about jump to pros

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In the couch-potato stereotype laden land of the virtual, Aleksandar Djukanovic goes against the grain.

Working out for two hours a day, Calgary's Djunkanovic, a freshly-minted member of Canada's first professional gaming team, said it took more than countless bags of chips and cans of pop to get where he is.

ROBIN KUNISKI/FOR METRO CALGARY

Nineteen-year-old Calgarian Aleksandar Djukanovic was recently selected to the country's first ever pro gaming team.

"Everyone thinks that gamers are fat and lazy and just sit around and play videogames all day," he said. "The playing games all day part is true, but it takes a lot of physical and mental strength to get to this point."

Competition is stiff, the 19-year-old Djukanovic said, with millions of gamers lighting up screens across the globe and if you're not fit, "like in any professional sport, you won't make it."

Djukanovic spent the last month in Toronto after winning a spot on Amp Energy Pro Team North of 49 and while he's been tinkering with video games for years, it was only the last year that he took it seriously.

Race is on for Carbury's replacement

STAMPEDE And they're off — the search to fill the shoes of retired voice of the GMC Rangeland Derby Joe Carbury has begun.

Carbury

After spending the past 45 years calling the races from the birds-eye view above the Grandstand at Stampede Park, Carbury hung up his microphone this year.

"Nobody will ever replace Joe and his unique voice and delivery, so this is a fresh start for wagon racing at the Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth," Stampede manager of rodeo and chuck wagons Keith Marrington said.

The contract position is open to anyone, male or female, who thinks they can take the reins, Stampede spokesperson Doug Fraser added.

People interested in trying out can send applications, resumes and/or audition tapes before Dec. 15 to Stampede Headquarters.

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Black Bear elders still without water

The water is still not running for three Black Bear Crossing elders who are fighting to keep their homes on the reserve. While the electricity was restored last week, the water is still turned off. The Tsuu T'ina reserve has been held in contempt of court for turning the utilities off. **METRO CALGARY**

Yoga DVD developed for cancer survivors

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Shawna Piro

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Joanne Lozynsky's life has been made better one downward dog at a time.

Prior to being diagnosed with breast cancer in 2005, Lozynsky never took time to stop and collect her thoughts.

Battling the disease forced Lozynsky to scale back her frantic pace, much to her own chagrin, but it was a blessing in disguise and she would never have found yoga otherwise.

"What yoga has taught me, particularly this type of yoga with very gentle, deliberate movements, is that slowing down, getting more into the moment is a good thing," said Lozynsky, part of the Yoga for Cancer Survivors seven week DVD series developed by the University of Calgary. "My way of dealing with stress before was constant movement and I just couldn't do it anymore."

While the university's Tom Baker Cancer Centre has been using yoga as part of their rehabilitation program for at least seven years, Dr. Nicole Culous-Reed said the new DVD program has the potential to reach cancer patients across the globe.

"Granted, yoga may not be for everybody, but this will allow us to reach people outside who can't reach a class for a variety of reasons and it's an easy, calming way to keep mobile," said Culous-Reed, "Yoga has that mind-body connection and going through that stress of the cancer experience, many people need healing on both fronts."

The DVDs are available at www.fitter1.com.

Watch instructors discuss the benefits yoga has for recovery at metronews.ca/local

Youth groups featured at Plaza show

HOLIDAYS The Young Canadians of the Calgary Stampede are bringing their Season of Wonder show to the Olympic Plaza on Saturday.

The Young Canadians and the Calgary Stampede Showband will be joined by Santa Claus, members of the Alberta 4-H and other special guests for the holiday and music spectacular.

The group will be rehearsing today at the Olympic Plaza from 2:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Outreach PR rep receives $50,000

FUNDING Mount Royal's Public Relations Outreach Coordinator, Elizabeth Lennox, has received a $50,000 research grant from the Counselling Foundation of Canada, to conduct further research in the area of mentoring.

Lennox has pioneered a mentorship program that connects current Mount Royal's public relations students with alumni of the public relations program.

It's the largest grant received by MRC's Faculty of Communication Studies

3 drug overdoses at work camp

DRUGS A man is dead and two others are in hospital after they apparently overdosed on drugs and alcohol at an Albertan work camp.

When RCMP arrived to the site they found a 41-year-old man dead, and rushed two other men to hospital with apparent overdoses.

The camp is for pipeline workers north of Oyen, AB near the Saskatchewan border just north of Medicine Hat. **METRO CALGARY**

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U of T gives honorary doctorate to Dr. Jane Goodall

World-famous primatologist Dr. Jane Goodall is expected to receive two honourary doctorates in Toronto this week, with the first degree being awarded tonight by the University of Toronto. Goodall, 74, is also scheduled to receive a doctorate of philosophy from the University of Haifa at a fundraising dinner on Sunday. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Canada

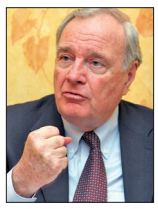
CBC probing Afghan arrests

The CBC has formally asked Afghan authorities for more details on the detainment of two Afghan employees who were working with journalist Mellissa Fung, left, when she was abducted last month, CBC News publisher John Cruickshank said yesterday. Fung, 35, was released on Saturday after spending 28 days in captivity by what she described as a "family business" of kidnappers eager to "finish her case" and get paid a ransom. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Who would win in a fight, Mr. Martin?

PAUL MCLEOD
Metro Canada

Paul Martin was in Halifax today to promote his new book, Hell or High Water. Metro News reporter Paul McLeod sat down one-on-one with the former Liberal PM. He asked him some serious questions. And then, he asked these.



Paul Martin

Metro: Jean Chretien famously said we may one day see him with a joint in his hand after he retires. Could we expect the same from you? **PM:** No, because I don't smoke.

Metro: Deep down, does Danny Williams just need a hug? **PM:** I think Danny Williams is a very effective leader. He's the kind of leader Newfoundland looks for.

Metro: Who would win in a fight, you or Jean Chretien? **PM:** Uh, I'm not going to get into that.

Metro: If you knew you could get away with it, would you egg Stephen Harper's house? **PM:** (Laughter) No, because I lived there.

Liberal leadership **Ignatieff to run**

BLAIR GABLE/REUTERS

Liberal MP Michael Ignatieff arrives to a news conference yesterday with his wife Zsuzsanna Zsohar to announce his candidacy for the Liberal Party of Canada leadership. The Liberals will hold a leadership convention in Vancouver this spring. MPs Bob Rae and Dominic LeBlanc are also expected to run.

Youth violence study to encourage prevention

CRIME A long-awaited probe into youth violence will recommend improving mental health services for young people and streamlining government departments to ensure better access to programs.

The landmark "Roots of Youth Violence" study by former Liberal MPP Alvin Curling and retired Ontario chief justice Roy McMurtry, released this morning, follows the adage that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

"Government must act. If you don't do it, it costs you more," said Curling, a former cabinet minister and legislative speaker.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

POLITICS The Liberals, NDP and Bloc Québécois yesterday urged the federal government to bail out the ailing auto industry. The parties say the automakers will be in even bigger danger if Ottawa does not respond to a planned $25-billion aid package the U.S. is discussing. Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said talks with the U.S. were ongoing. **REUTERS**

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Marches planed to protest rejection of gay marriage in California

The rejection of gay marriage by California voters has unleashed a hurricane of protest on the Internet, with some supporters venting their anger and others planning national demonstrations. Dozens of marches and meetings are planned for 1:30 p.m. EST Saturday. **REUTERS**

World

Interpol cracks down on drug ring

Authorities in nine countries have raided businesses suspected of supplying medicines illegally over the Internet in an unprecedented global swoop co-ordinated by Interpol, officials said yesterday. The operation, codenamed Pangea, involved dozens of locations in Britain, Germany, Ireland, Israel, New Zealand, Singapore, Switzerland, Canada and the United States.

REUTERS

Three giant planets seen by telescope

UNIVERSE Telescopes on land have caught the first real visual images of multiple planets orbiting another star.

The orbiting Hubble Space Telescope has found its own planet, the first so-called exoplanet to be found purely visually.

One set of images shows three giant planets orbiting a star named HR8799 in the constellation Pegasus, about 130 light-years away from the Earth. A light-year is the distance light travels in a year, or 6 trillion miles (10 trillion km).

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Russia **Funeral for sub victims**

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Relatives grieve during a funeral ceremony for the victims of an accident on Russia's Nerpa nuclear submarine yesterday. Russian prosecutors said yesterday they had opened a criminal case against a sailor suspected of triggering the accident on the Russian nuclear submarine that killed 20 people.

News in brief

IMPRISONMENT Austrian Josef Fritzl, who imprisoned his daughter in a cellar for 24 years and fathered seven children by her, has been charged with the murder of one of their children who died shortly after birth.

REUTERS

Obama's inauguration the hottest ticket ever?

Prices ranging up to $10,000 for event

How much would you pay for a front row seat to history?

Tickets for the swearing-in ceremony of Barack Obama, who will become the United States' first black president on Jan. 20, are already being advertised for thousands of dollars.

There's just one small problem: the tickets are not publicly available, at least not yet. They will be released to the public only in the week before the ceremony, says the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies.

The committee is outraged that the tickets are being advertised for sale on online auction site EBay and other websites since they are meant to be free. One senator is even drawing up legislation to outlaw their sale.

EBay spokeswoman Nichola Sharpe said EBay officials met members of the committee Wednesday and agreed to withdraw all ads for inauguration ceremony tickets.

EBay is currently advertising two tickets with a starting bid of $10,000, while online ticket brokers stubhub.com, a unit of EBay, and stagefront.com are advertising tickets between $1,400 and $2,350.

Hundreds of thousands of people are expected to converge on Washington to watch Obama take the oath of office on the steps of the U.S. Capitol and address the nation.

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240,000 tickets

- Some 240,000 tickets will be distributed through the offices of U.S. congressmen and senators for the swearing-in ceremony itself. Many will be given out only the day before to minimize the possibility of people selling them and for security reasons.

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Shooting near U.S. consulate in Mexico
Shots were fired near a U.S. consulate in northern Mexico yesterday, the third incident at the building in a month, and officials briefly suspended visa services, police and witnesses said. REUTERS

Obama to resign from Senate

President-elect Barack Obama said yesterday he would resign his U.S. Senate seat effective Sunday, which means he will not participate in next week's post-election session that could address the ailing economy and struggling auto industry.

Obama, who will be sworn in as president on Jan. 20, said he would step down from his Senate seat to focus on the transition to the White House.

"It has been one of the highest honors and privileges of my life to have served the people of Illinois in the United States Senate," said Obama, who has served four years of his six-year term in the Senate.

Under Illinois state law, Democratic Gov. Rod Blagojevich is responsible for naming a successor to Obama. The appointee would serve Obama's term through 2010.

Blagojevich does not have to fill the seat immediately. REUTERS

Biden's choice

- Vice President-elect Joe Biden, a senator from Delaware, has not yet said when he will resign his Senate seat. He must resign by noon on Jan. 20, the day he is sworn in.

News in brief

CONGO Britain backs the deployment of up to 3,000 more UN troops in the Democratic Republic of Congo and peacekeepers should intervene "robustly" to safeguard civilians, Prime Minister Gordon Brown said yesterday. REUTERS

Over 500 not told of AIDS results in Chile

NOTIFY Chile's public health system apparently failed to notify at least 512 people that they were infected with the HIV virus, the health minister said yesterday amid a growing national AIDS scandal.

Alvaro Erazo said that in 244 cases, the infected people were not located by health officials. And in 268 cases there was no evidence efforts were even made to find them.

"With current information it is not possible to be sure that people identified in the ... groups have not been informed, only that there are no records of that happening," he told the lower house of Congress.

"What is clear is that there are service (areas) that are not complying as they should in the follow-up and notification of these cases."

Chile's previous health minister resigned after it emerged that a hospital in northern Chile failed to notify dozens of patients that they had tested positive for HIV. REUTERS

Australia **Partying in the buff**

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Tony Fox, left, the owner of the White Cockatoo resort in Australia, and his wife Lenore pose in this undated handout photo at the resort. The Australian holiday resort will hold a month-long, nude "anything goes" party to combat an expected economic downturn, media reports said yesterday

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Trying to shake a political hangover

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After the smoke, fire and histrionics of the U.S. election, intensified only briefly and slightly by our own federal campaign, the mood of the headlines and both countries has subsided into a mood resembling Sunday morning following a big bender.

The Republican party's defeat has prompted what's referred to as a circular firing squad, with everyone blaming everyone else, with Sarah Palin being singled out in particular — and tediously predictable — for blame, though it turned out that many of the unnamed John McCain campaign workers cited by supposedly reputable media like MSNBC and The New Republic as sources for the worst accusations were the work of a longtime hoaxer. It's been that kind of a week.

It hardly matters anyway, since confidence in mainstream media coverage is at an all-time low, and newspapers such as the Washington Post have published shamefaced admissions that their coverage of the campaign might have been, on reflection, a little biased. That won't stop the frenzy of kidney punches and kneecappings inside and outside the Republican party, though that might be a good thing; the party that ran this election might just as well forward all the campaign speeches of its next candidate to Saturday Night Live's writer's room in advance.

In the meantime, there are fleeting glimpses that the much-anticipated "Change" promised by the winning candidate might not be as earth-shattering as expected, as the president-elect's prospective choices for cabinet positions are thick with Clinton-era veterans, a prechewed meal that hardly smells like the prelude to a revolution, though we may all be grateful for that.

There's a crude poetry to the tradition of holding presidential inaugurations in mid-winter, where the likelihood of a swearing-in on the U.S. Capitol steps in the teeth of inclement weather is ripe with portents of the trials ahead. Between now and then, however, Barack Obama is limited to playing at president while the media (hopefully) begins shifting gears from lapdog to peevish teenager, while George W. Bush has little to do but taunt Dick Cheney by suggesting they hire Will Ferrell to stand in for him so he can head home early.

There's a curse, apocryphally attributed to some unknown Chinese sage and too frequently evoked by lazy editorialists, that wishes that the subject "live in interesting times." I was born eight months after the Kennedy assassination, six days after Lyndon Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act, and have lived in interesting times my whole life. I long — with little expectation of satisfaction by now — for a year or two of Eisenhower-era political torpor and complacency, if only to catch up on my reading. These two months of doldrums might be the closest I'll get.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

MICHAEL DE ADDER

Views

Directing economic turnaround

By BEVERLY TOPPING

Meltdown. Recession. Crash. Depression. Most of us thought something like this was never going to happen again and that our economic system would continue to produce gains, albeit with the occasional slowdown.

The current global economic meltdown is continuing to produce tremors around the world. The implications for countries, businesses and individuals continue to unfold. When will it all come to an end? This is very difficult to predict, but my sense is that we have a way to go yet.

Many countries around the world are experiencing slower, if any, growth in their economies. Our biggest trading partner, the U.S., shows every evidence of a lengthy recession. When the U.S. falters, we can expect adverse impacts here at home. Indeed, we are already seeing some signs of this in terms of a stagnant GDP and layoffs in financial services firms, among others. When credit tightens, businesses — especially small- and medium-sized enterprises — have a difficult time financing their current operations or expanding to take advantage of new opportunities.

Why did this financial crisis happen? There have been thousands of words written about this already and I suspect there will be many thousands more. Fingers have been pointing in every direction: Governments, central bankers, regulators, financial services firms, individual borrowers, and the list goes on, including directors of companies.

Beverly Topping

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Unlike the U.S., Canada has not seen any financial services companies implode, and none are teetering on the brink. Our boards and company managements seem to have avoided the excesses we have seen elsewhere. Nevertheless, they are under pressure arising from external events, and governments have rightly moved in to stabilize matters.

I am confident Canada will come through this crisis with even stronger corporate governance. At the ICD, we will identify the lessons learned — be they in risk management, executive compensation, strategic decision-making, financial management, information disclosure or other governance areas — and ensure they are foremost in the minds of directors going forward.

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Consumers drinking less pop

Dr Pepper Snapple Group Inc. reported a smaller-than-expected third-quarter profit yesterday and cut its full-year outlook, as weakening economies in the U.S. and Mexico cause consumers to buy fewer soft drinks. **REUTERS**

Business

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Shrinking surplus

Canada sells less energy, fewer cars to U.S.

Canada's trade surplus shrank more than expected in September as the country sold less energy and fewer cars to the slowing U.S. market, while imports resumed their climb after a brief slump, Statistics Canada said yesterday.

The surplus narrowed to $4.49 billion, the lowest level since January, from a revised $5.63 billion in August. The median forecast of analysts was for a surplus of $4.95 billion.

Despite the retreat in exports, the trade data still suggest modest economic growth in the third quarter, analysts said.

However, the fourth quarter outlook is bleak as the global economy heads for recession, likely triggering more interest rate cuts by the central bank and, according to at least one economist, a return of monthly trade deficits for the first time in more than three decades.

REUTERS

Vehicle exports

- Exports of automotive products fell 3.4 per cent, the eighth decline in 12 months, due to weak U.S. demand and a plant shutdown.

Economies feel pain of slowdown

BLEAK The U.S., China and Germany have all provided new evidence of the global economic slide. Germany's economy contracted 0.5 per cent in the third quarter, putting it in recession for the first time in five years. China's industrial output growth slowed to 8.2 per cent in October. And in the U.S., initial claims for unemployment insurance climbed to 516,000 for Nov. 1.

Business in brief

JINGLING BELLS Video game sales are expected to be strong this year and in 2009, despite the economic troubles that have hurt some of the retail stores that sell the games, industry executives said yesterday. Their optimism is fuelled by solid sales of advanced gaming consoles made by Nintendo, Sony and Microsoft.

SUPERMARKET Loblaw Cos., Canada's largest supermarket chain, said its earnings, sales and profit margin rose in the third quarter, pushing its shares up as much as 12 per cent, but it warned that a slowing economy could hold back its performance for the rest of the year. Earnings rose 32 per cent to $155 million. **REUTERS**

Nortel could go bankrupt: Analyst

RISK Nortel Networks will have to rely on asset sales to fund its operations, and risks running out of money before 2011, said RBC Capital Markets analyst Mark Sue. **REUTERS**

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Maradona to quit?
Diego Maradona has allegedly threatened to resign after only two weeks as Argentina coach, furious because the president of the country's soccer federation won't let him freely appoint the remaining members of his coaching staff. METRO NEWS SERVICESS

Sports

Lee beats Halladay for Cy Young

Cliff Lee took home the American League Cy Young Award in a runaway yesterday, becoming the second consecutive Cleveland Indians lefty to earn the coveted prize. Lee went a major league-best 22-3 this season with a 2.54 ERA. Toronto ace Roy Halladay was a distant runner-up with four first-place votes and 71 points. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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NFL Nailbiter

BRIAN SNYDER/REUTERS

New York Jets quarterback Brett Favre celebrates after a 7-yard touchdown pass to Jets running back Leon Washington in the first quarter of last night's game against New England. The Jets won 34-31 in overtime after leading 24-13 at the half.

Sports in brief

CFL Three Stampeders — Joffrey Reynolds, Ken-Yon Rambo and Sandro DeAngelis — were named to the CFL Offensive All-Star team. Reynolds led the league with 1,310 rushing yards and scored 10 touchdowns on the ground. Rambo led the league with 1,473 yards and eight touchdowns on 100 receptions. DeAngelis converted a league-high 50 of 58 field goals for an 86.2 percentage. He also led the league with 217 points.
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Leafs power past Oilers

NHL RESULT

Leafs 5 Oilers 2

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS VS OILERS

THE SKINNY: The Oilers started with gusto, but faded fast as the Maple Leafs overcame a 1-0 deficit with three power-play goals. Nik Antropov got the winner at even strength at 18:59 of the second period.

THE QUOTE: **"It's a more physiological element than a psychological element,"** coach Craig MacTavish said of the first game at home after seven on the road. **"You come back, you're a little fatigued from the road and it manifests itself in a little heavy leggedness."**

THE BIG PLAY: Toronto was leading 3-2 in the third period when Ales Hemsky coughed up the puck to Jason Blake. Blake, back in the lineup after being benched in Calgary, fed Ian White for the 4-2 goal at 5:05.

ONE FOR SAM: Sam Gagner's 1-0 goal on a power play 12:39 into the game was his first goal in 17 games, dating back to March 28 of last season.

LONG WAIT: The Maple Leafs hadn't played at Rexall Place since Jan. 7, 2006, a 3-2 win. Edmonton's last win over Toronto came on Nov. 20, 2003.
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Mikhail Grabovski celebrates his third period goal last night. It was the Leafs' first visit to Edmonton in almost three years.

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Vick expects to return to NFL

Michael Vick's bankruptcy lawyers say the imprisoned NFL quarterback expects to return to football. Lawyers wrote in a disclosure statement that Vick "has every reason to believe" he will be reinstated by the NFL once he completes a 23-month sentence for a federal dogfighting conviction last summer. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Columbus	7	7	2	16
Nashville	7	7	1	15
St. Louis	5	7	1	11

NORTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	OL	PTS
Vancouver	9	6	1	19
CALGARY	**9**	**7**	**1**	**19**
Minnesota	8	4	1	17
Edmonton	8	6	1	17
Colorado	7	8	0	14

PACIFIC DIVISION

	W	L	OL	PTS
San Jose	13	3	1	27
Anaheim	9	7	1	19
Phoenix	8	6	0	16
Los Angeles	6	6	2	14
Dallas	5	7	3	13

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	W	L	OL	PTS
Buffalo	9	3	3	21
Boston	9	3	3	21
Montreal	9	2	2	20
Toronto	6	6	4	16
Ottawa	6	7	2	14

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	OL	PTS
N.Y. Rangers	12	5	2	26
Pittsburgh	9	4	2	20
New Jersey	7	6	2	16
Philadelphia	5	6	3	13
N.Y. Islanders	4	9	2	10

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

	W	L	OL	PTS
Washington	9	4	2	20
Carolina	8	6	2	18
Tampa Bay	5	6	4	14
Atlanta	6	7	2	14
Florida	6	8	1	13

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Home field disadvantage

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Strangely, visiting teams have won the CFL's past four playoff games, all as underdogs. Almost as bizarre — or perhaps more bizarre — is that Michael Bishop was the losing quarterback in two of those four games. He was the Toronto Argonauts' QB when they lost to the Winnipeg Blue Bombers in the Eastern semifinal last season and was the Roughriders' QB when they lost to the B.C. Lions in the Western semifinal last Saturday. Saskatchewan released Bishop immediately after the loss.

"The Roughriders might still be playing," CFL guru Jack Morrow cracked, "if they'd been as quick to remove Bishop during the game as they were afterwards."

• The selection yesterday of Montreal's Anthony Calvillo as an offensive all-star should tip you off on who will be chosen the CFL's most-outstanding player this season ... Calvillo would be the CFL's comeback player as well — if the league had such an award ... Wes Cates was traded by Calgary to Saskatchewan before last season because he couldn't supplant Joffrey Reynolds as the Stampeders' running back. Yesterday, Cates and Reynolds were chosen the CFL's all-star running backs ... The Als' Jamel Richardson, who couldn't establish himself as a mainstay during his years in Saskatchewan, became Calvillo's favourite target this season and became one of the CFL's all-star receivers yesterday. He's telling friends he intends to bolt to the NFL in the off-season ... For my playoff picks, incidentally, visit www.metronews.ca for my latest CFL Report.

• Orlando Hudson, discarded by the Blue Jays before becoming an all-star second baseman in the NL, is No. 1 on the New York Mets' wish list of free agents, which means he's in for megabucks.

Atop the Jays' wish list, as reported here before, is the cantankerous Milton Bradley, who has a personal policy of never smiling.

The interest in the slugger puzzles Jays fan Ajoy Pinto, Metro's marketing and promotions specialist. From the stands, Pinto once shouted this at Bradley: "You suck at the game of life," which, of course, was a not-so-subtle reference to the other Milton Bradley, who invented games for a living.

Suffice it to say that Bradley didn't smile when he heard Pinto's observation.

• And get this: Men needing to pee during their golf games will no longer need to visit a washroom. No joke. A Florida-based urologist has invented a golf club that doubles as a urinal. Seems the urologist heard too many complaints from male golfers. For details and photos, visit www.urologist-club.org.

YorkReport

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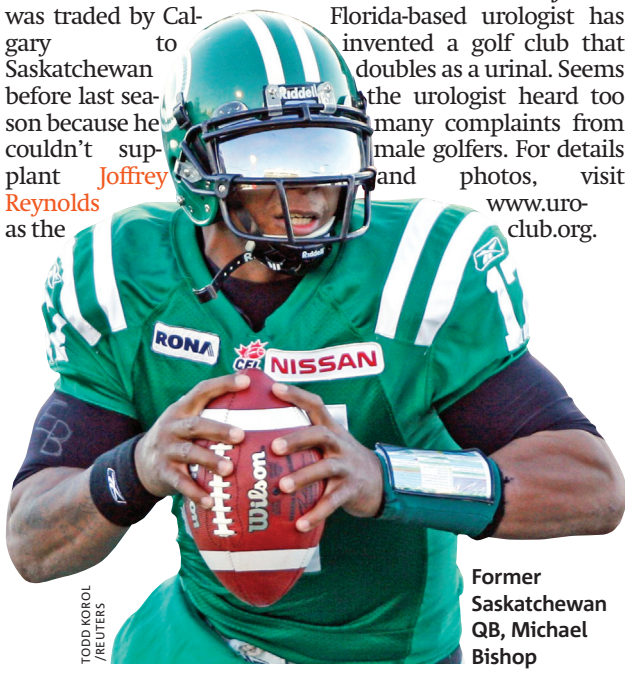
Music City man

• A routine has turned into a superstition for Tennessee quarterback Kerry Collins, who has revealed that he has listened to country music star Alan Jackson's Good Time every day on the way to work and back home since the beginning of his team's win streak. The Titans, at 9-0, are the NFL's only undefeated team this season.



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Former Saskatchewan QB, Michael Bishop

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Starting literally minutes after its predecessor, Casino Royale, left off, Quantum of Solace roars off with a car chase that sets the brisk pace director Marc Forster keeps up for the latest — and shortest — movie in the James Bond franchise.

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Hugely popular Twilight stays true on the big screen.

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Singer James Blunt ready for his stint as Metro editor.

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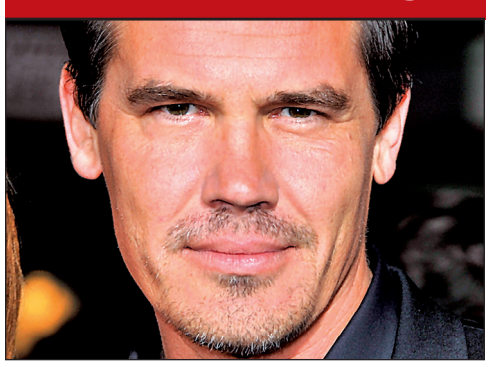

After decades of acting, Brolin finally finds fame.

No music Oscar for The Dark Knight

The Dark Knight has been disqualified from the race for the Original Music Score Oscar because the composers credited others on their sheet music for royalty reasons , according to Spout.com. IMDB.COM

Movies

A CLASSIC; EXCELLENT; GOOD; FAIR; POOR

Bond tuneless

Newest 007 entry has plenty of action, but movie is deliberately anti-climactic

Quantum of Solace

Director: Marc Forster
Stars: Daniel Craig, Olga Kurylenko
Classification: PG
Rating:

RICK MCGINNIS
Metro Canada

The best Bond films have always lived up to their theme song, and unfortunately the blaring — but tuneless — Jack White/Alicia Keys intro to Quantum of Solace too ably sets the tone for what follows.

The movie starts literally minutes after its predecessor, Casino Royale, ended, with a pre-credit car chase that sums up director Marc Forster's brisk approach to the story.

Action scenes are the meat of Bond movies. Most of what we see in Quantum of Solace is at least as good as the standards set in previous films; relentless, and more than a bit improbable — if done properly.

One scene, set during an opera performance, is actually groundbreaking, an almost abstract action set piece that owes its success as much to sound editing as stunt work.

There seems to be a bit missing from the film, though. It's short for a Bond film, and the deliberately anticlimactic ending makes the experience on the whole a lot less draining — and thrilling — than the best of the series.

Politics intrudes with the clumsy, didactic gracelessness that's a hallmark of too many movies today. Though, the film's basic flaw is intrinsic to the story, which is focused around an emotionally wounded Bond with little time — or inclination — for the reckless pleasures or black humour that have defined the character in the other movies.

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Daniel Craig's Bond is still an excellent incarnation of the character, and the decision to beef up Judi Dench's role as M, his spymaster, is paying subtle dividends that will, hopefully, start paying off more generously in the next film — which will start gracing us with a new Q, or a Moneypenny, at the very least.

Bond, played by Daniel Craig, is back in Quantum of Solace.

Bond films

Interested in catching up on past James Bond films? Quantum of Solace is the 22nd 007 movie released by EON Productions, here are the others:

- Dr. No (1962)
- From Russia With Love (1963)
- Goldfinger (1964)
- Thunderball (1965)
- You Only Live Twice (1967)
- On Her Majesty's Secret Service (1969)
- Diamonds Are Forever (1971)
- Live and Let Die (1973)
- The Man with the Golden Gun (1974)
- The Spy Who Loved Me (1977)
- Moonraker (1979)
- For Your Eyes Only (1981)
- Octopussy (1983)
- A View to a Kill (1985)
- The Living Daylights (1987)
- Licence to Kill (1989)
- GoldenEye (1995)
- Tomorrow Never Dies (1997)
- The World is Not Enough (1999)
- Die Another Day (2002)
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Synecdoche gets lost

Synecdoche, New York

Director: Charlie Kaufman
Stars: Philip Seymour Hoffman, Catherine Keener
Classification: 14A
Rating: ½

KEVIN COURRIER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW In Synecdoche, New York, screenwriter Charlie Kaufman (Being John Malkovich, Adaptation, Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind), whose specialty is abstract absurdism, makes his directing debut trying to blur the line between art and life.

He blurs more than he clarifies, but the picture is still a fascinating failure.

Playwright Caden Cotard (Philip Seymour Hoffman) works for a regional theatre company in Schenectady, N.Y.

Meanwhile, his marriage to Adele (Catherine Keener) is falling apart — simultaneous to his production of Arthur Miller's Death of a Salesman.

In response to the heated crisis on the home front, Cotard mounts an epic theatrical construct — a synecdoche of his life — where every character and place he conceives symbolizes his entire being.

For about the first half-hour, Kaufman is able to comically capture the psychological crackup of those obsessed artists who fear that if their art isn't going smoothly, then their life must also be heading for the gutter.

But when Caden attempts to resolve his neurosis through this burgeoning dramatic construct — where city blocks seem to contain every facet of his life — Kaufman's idea quickly runs out of steam.

Initially the performers, Hoffman, Keener, Sadie Goldstein (as their precocious daughter, Olive), and Samantha Morton (as one of his lovers) help anchor the story by illuminating how life's follies can't be so easily controlled, or resolved.

But Kaufman becomes self-congratulatory about his conceit and ultimately we get lost in the narrative labyrinth.

Synecdoche, New York inevitably swallows its own tail.

Twilight soundtrack debuts at No. 1
The soundtrack to Twilight starts atop The Billboard 200 this week, according to Warner Music, becoming the third No. 1 soundtrack this year after Juno and Mamma Mia! METRO NEWS SERVICES

Reel Time

A CLASSIC; EXCELLENT; GOOD; FAIR; POOR

Quote of the week

"It was an hour-and-a-half drive out to the set, and it was a rough road just to get there. Then you work a full 12-hour day and then you drive all the way back, an hour-and-a-half. I just thought, 'I don't know how I'm going to do this and still be good at what I do, and not collapse from the heat' ... "Within a week there, something happened ... you get hypnotised by it. We had 43-degree heat sometimes, but as soon as you hit the sunset, it heals the whole day."

Nicole Kidman on working in remote western Australian during the filming of her latest film, Australia — in theatres Nov. 26.

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Twilight fans have high hopes

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

When someone mentions Stephenie Meyer's teen novel phenomena Twilight, the title sparks one of two reactions: Either an excited rant from a member of one of world's most devoted fan bases, or a blank stare.

Twilight has already sold more than 17 million copies, and the cinematic adaptation being released next week will likely follow with a new run up the book charts.

Don't feel bad if you haven't heard of the series. It probably just means you're not a teenage girl — barely anyone involved with the film had heard of it, either.

"I did not read the books. (The script) was forced on me," says Kristen Stewart, who plays Bella in the film.

Bella is a young girl who moves to a new town and immediately falls for a high school classmate. However, things get a little complicated when it turns out that her dream boy is actually a vampire struggling to decide if he wants to kiss her or sink his teeth into her neck.

"I didn't like the outline because it seemed very shallow and vain to me, like Bella was in love with this guy just because he was the hottest thing she had ever seen. But when I finally read the script, I begged to get the audition," Stewart says.

"I'd never heard of the books," adds Melissa Rosenberg, who wrote the screenplay.

"(Comic Con) was the first time I really understood just how huge this was and a cold sweat came over me when they were about to play a clip and I realized that I didn't do it exactly like it was in the book.

"You don't want to be the person who killed Twilight for a generation."

Despite the lack of familiarity on the part of some of the movie's creators — many of whom have since become fans of the book — reaction to their work among Twilight readers has been positive so far.

"It's been fascinating because some people have said this is the most true adaptation of a novel they've ever seen," said director Catherine Hadwicke, who also made the indie teen flick Thirteen.

"I love that because it's true to the notions and the spirit, but it's not true to the book in many ways. We interpreted it and tried to make it visual, emotional, dynamic and cinematic. I'd say I put my own stamp on every scene,"

The filmmakers' work is eagerly anticipated by the legions of fans that have shown up in droves for every early screening held so far. No one involved with the movie expected anything like this level of reaction.

"The crowds of people screaming makes you want to cry," Stewart said.

Twilight, based on the teen novel by Stephenie Meyer, gets its cinematic release next week.

Movie feature

Gonzo suffers tawdry end

Gonzo
Director: Alex Gibney
Stars: Johnny Depp, Jimmy Carter, George McGovern, Pat Buchanan
Classification: STC
Rating:

RICK MCGINNIS
Metro Canada

REVIEW Gonzo begins with the voice of Johnny Depp reading aloud from a column the late Hunter S. Thompson wrote just after 9/11. The actor played Thompson in Terry Gilliam's 1998 movie adaptation of Fear And Loathing In Las Vegas, the book that did the most to cement Thompson's reputation as the wild man of American journalism, a raging, drug-addled juggernaut of probably justified paranoia careening off the walls of mainstream American politics and society.

Depp has obvious reverence for Thompson's words and opinions, as does almost everyone interviewed for this epic documentary, from writer Tom Wolfe to Rolling Stone publisher Jann Wenner to politicians George McGovern, Gary Hart and Jimmy Carter. In the column, Thompson holds forth on his despair for America in the wake of the attacks, and the apocalypse to come he spies over the horizon.

Hunter S. Thompson committed suicide three years ago.

It's a terrible bit of writing — self-important but lifeless, cobbled together with the hyperbolic quasi-Biblical metaphor that Thompson had, by this point in his career, worn threadbare.

Thompson's great achievement was to embody a style of journalism — urgent, irresponsible, crazed — that reflected his times: The '60s and early '70s, when American society seemed to be running off the rails, bulging and cracking under the stress of a generation of youth who demanded that it be remade in their image.

At some point, his wildly inspired muse — lubricated and untethered by generous helpings of booze and drugs — was dubbed "Gonzo," and Thompson became an act that he had to fulfill, at great personal cost to himself and his writing.

In an interview from the mid-'70s, we see him admitting that he's trapped by his persona, and can no longer just be a journalist, since his very presence inevitably makes him part of the story.

Sent to Zaire to cover the Mohammed Ali-George Foreman fight, he opts instead to lounge around the hotel pool rather than cover the story, a sure indicator of the onset of depression. After this, it's just a long, miserable decline that ends with Thompson's suicide three years ago, with his ex-wife on the phone and his son and grandson in the house.

It was a tawdry, selfish end, and by the time it happens, it's hard not to regard the milieu of friends and fans telling his story to Alex Gibney's camera as enablers, or to ignore a feeling of contempt for their part in turning talent into self-parody.

Josh Brolin has arrived

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

He has been acting for nearly a quarter century — making his adolescent debut in the cult classic The Goonies — but most people knew Josh Brolin best because of his famous father and stepmother: James Brolin and Barbra Streisand.

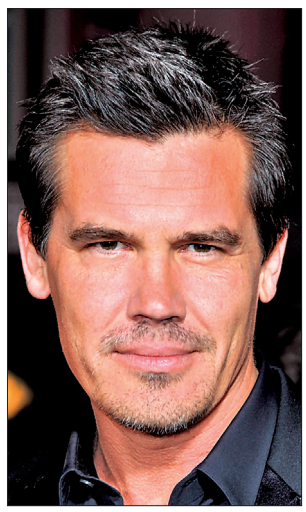
Thanks to a string of outstanding performances in a diverse lineup of films (Grindhouse, American Gangster, No Country For Old Men, W., and the upcoming Milk), Brolin has not only managed to step out of his parental shadows, but also establish himself as one of the finest actors of his generation.

It is an experience the actor admits he always pined for.

"I always wanted to work with great filmmakers," Brolin says. "I started out working with a really amazing filmmaker and was extremely spoiled by my first experience.

"Then the next time it happened was with David O. Russell on Flirting With Disaster. I remember watching that movie thinking, 'Thank God I'm in this film.'"

The latest directing talent to enlist Brolin is Gus Van Sant, for whom he plays Dan White in the upcoming Milk, a bio-pic about America's first openly-gay politician, Harvey Milk.



Josh Brolin always wanted to work with "great filmmakers."

Movie feature

"Gus sent the script to me and I read it immediately," said Brolin, who plays a fellow politician who kills Milk. "I cried at the end. I was very moved by it and said yes right away."

Milk marks the second time this year that Brolin has played a controversial political figure. It follows his amazing portrayal of George Bush in Oliver Stone's W.

"It's harder in that there's some form of wanting to do it justice, especially with Bush," Brolin says about portraying an actual person. "He's so in everybody's psyche and there's so much hatred and dislike for him globally. That was a little disconcerting to me, but it was also part of the great challenge."

In both roles, Brolin managed to rouse a surprising amount of sympathy for fairly disreputable figures. The actor considers this vital.

"I think it's important for any character to come across as human unless you're doing a caricature. I find it important to care about what the person is going through. I think it's more interesting to ask 'Why?' instead of just saying 'Oh look at that.'

"I could have played Dan White as he was the moment he decided to get the gun to go and kill those people, but that would have been very one dimensional."

Given his sudden rise to prominence, it seems likely that Brolin will be collecting a few awards this year to cement his new movie-star status.

Bond knockoffs a genre themselves

InFocus

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Sean's brother Neil Connery starred in Operation Kid Brother.

This week, you can't throw a steel-brimmed hat without hitting a billboard or poster for Quantum of Solace. Daniel Craig's mug is so omnipresent, it's impossible to get a quantum of relief from his stern but handsome mug.

It seems the whole world has gone Bond crazy, but this is nothing new. James Bond — and whoever is playing the super spy — has always been big news, but there is only so much of him to go around.

That's why enterprising filmmakers have frequently retooled the Bondian formula of guns, girls and gadgets to attract new audiences.

During the late 1960s wave of Bondmania, Dean Martin staggered through a quartet of spy spoofs based on the literary character Matt Helm, giving new meaning to the advertising tagline "America's Loaded Weapon."

Since then, the Bond knock-off business has boomed and 007 wannabes in all shapes and sizes have blossomed. There's adolescent Bond in Agent Cody Banks, a version for teens called xXx ("Now I know what xXx stands for: Xtremely Xcruciating Xperience" raved one critic) and parodies like Get Smart and Austin Powers.

Wilder still is Operation Kid Brother. In a blatant attempt to satisfy audience's need for all things Bond in 1967, producers cast Sean Connery's younger brother Neil as a plastic surgeon and hypnotist recruited by her Majesty's Secret Service to thwart the evil crime syndicate Thanatos. He's called into action, the movie explains, because "his brother is out on a routine mission."

Wow, perfect casting! Except Neil can't act. The film flopped so badly it could have been the reason bargain bins were invented, and Neil soon returned to his former job as a plasterer. But Operation Kid Brother does have its pleasures.

Bond alumnus Bernard Lee and Lois Maxwell ham it up alongside From Russia with Love's Bond girl Daniela Bianchi, and Thunderball villain Adolfo Celi. Better than that is the soundtrack by Ennio Morricone, which unlike the rest of the film, is on par with a real Bond film.

The Connery name will always be associated with Bond, and while Neil (thankfully) retired soon after Operation Kid Brother, other Connerys had a harder time letting the character go.

Sean revived his Bond after a 12-year layoff in 1983's Never Say Never Again and as a voice in videogames — and his son, Jason Connery, played 007's creator in The Secret Life of Ian Fleming.

Richard Crouse is the author of Son of the 100 Best Movies You've Never Seen and film critic for CTV's Canada AM.

Deepa Mehta's mixed results

Heaven **on Earth**

Director: Deepa Mehta
Stars: Preity Zinta, Vansh Bhardwaj
Classification: 14A
Rating:

KEVIN COURRIER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Director Deepa Mehta's last three films — Fire, Earth and Water — focused largely on issues of social reform in her birthplace of India.

In Heaven on Earth, she turns her dramatic eye toward the problem of domestic abuse in an Indian-Canadian family. Unfortunately, it's with mixed results.

Chand (played by Bollywood star Preity Zinta) is a young Punjabi woman sent to Canada by her mother as part of an arranged marriage. Her husband Rocky (Vansh Bhardwaj) is both immature and a brutally abusive Indo-Canadian man.

Yet that's only part of the problem.

His family is also dominated by a quietly oppressive mother (Belinder Johal), who may adhere to the tradition of seeing her son married, but is unconsciously jealous of Chand and deeply possessive of her son.

To protect herself, Chand eventually turns to the powerful symbols in her folklore to help assert her independence.

In Heaven on Earth, Mehta tries to mix the brutal realism of spousal violence with magic realism to illuminate Chand's difficult struggles. But the two styles don't mesh and the picture's emotional force gets rapidly diffused.

While showing little capacity for invoking fairy-tale enchantment, Mehta also fails to deepen our understanding of the conflicts at the heart of the marriage.

Rather than explore how Chand's union with Rocky ignites powerful emotional currents within a fiercely traditional Punjabi clan, Mehta settles instead for a cursory melodrama about a young woman's empowerment.

Heaven on Earth ends up feeling like purgatory.

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Gong Li denounced as a traitor
The Agence France-Presse is reporting that actress Gong Li actress was denounced as a traitor on Internet blogs after she renounced her Chinese citizenship and became a Singapore citizen on Nov. 7. IMDB.COM

●●●●● A CLASSIC; ●●●● EXCELLENT; ●●● GOOD; ●● FAIR; ● POOR

Movie **morsels**

Changeling
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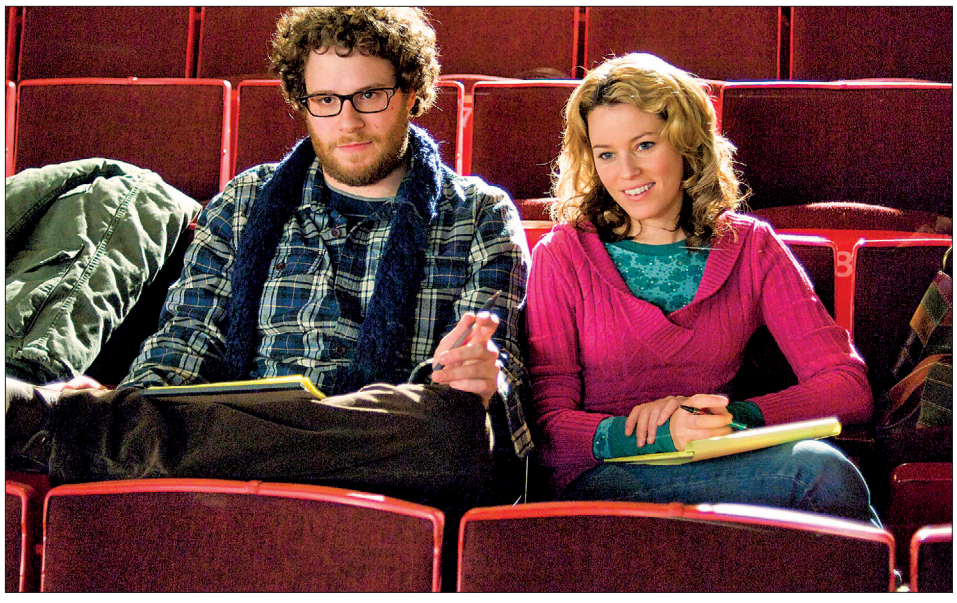
REVIEW Directed by legendary icon Clint Eastwood, Changeling tells the emotional journey of Christine Collins (Angelina Jolie), a single mother in 1920s Los Angeles who comes home to find her son missing. Following weeks of relentlessly searching, the police suddenly show up with her child, reporters in tow. Great. Only there's a catch: It ain't him.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

The Haunting of Molly Hartley
●½

REVIEW The Haunting of Molly Hartley is a choppy, disjointed movie short on scares and story. It's like they couldn't wait to make a movie, so they plowed ahead with the production without developing a plot. The script is lazy: Stuff happens that isn't connected, you can see some events coming a mile away, and a baffling ending that explains nothing.

Jim Reyno/Metro Canada



Zack And Miri Make A Porno stars Seth Rogen and Elizabeth Banks.

High School Musical 3: Senior Year
●●●½

REVIEW It's very likely that only a handful of adults have seen the previous two High School Musical incarnations that follow the dancing and singing students of Albuquerque's Eastside High. Adults can actually attend the movie without too much fear. Sure, the storyline is very basic, and squeaky Mickey Mouse-clean — you may doze off occasionally — but there is great energy in this film.

Steve Veale/For Metro Canada

Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa
●●½

REVIEW If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Yes, it's an archaic, overused adage, but when it comes to Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa, it also applies. The movie isn't without its improvements: It has plenty of jokes and inside-gags for the adults but they're mostly just recycled sensibilities from the 2005 film. Of course, the story is what really counts, and Madagascar 2 tells too many tales.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

RocknRolla
●●●½

REVIEW Like those acclaimed crime-dramas of the late '90s, RocknRolla explores a familiar criminal element of the London underground; namely those involved in a complex real estate scam gone wrong. There are far too many subplots too summarize, but rest assured Guy Ritchie's latest features the same narrative voiceover, cleverly crooked gangsters, and super-frenetic pacing of his earliest work.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Role Models
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REVIEW Without its leading men — one uses the term loosely in this case — Role Models would be just another installment in the sub-Apatow genre, which is to say a comedy based on character and dialogue and the odd kick in the nuts. Paul Rudd and Seann William Scott are simply the best parts of a great cast that delivers a barrage of laughs.

Rick McGinnis/Metro Canada

Soul Men
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REVIEW Soul Men is a blast from the past in both its plot, about the reunion of a '60s-era R&B group, and its tired 1982-style script and direction. But the late Bernie Mac and Samuel L. Jackson deserve at least some credit for their smoother-than-expected grooving as aging singers. Soul Men's one saving grace is that it's Mac's final performance and for this reason, it may end up generating more box-office returns than it otherwise would have.

Robyn Young/Metro Canada

Zack and Miri Make a Porno
●●●½

REVIEW Zack And Miri Make A Porno is a very sweet romantic comedy about two best friends discovering their love for one another. Granted they discover it while having sex on camera for a quick buck — but it is very sweet nonetheless. Summarizing the plot is pointless because the title says it all. I

Phil Brown/Metro Canada

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DREAMWORKS ANIMATION

From left, penguins Kowalski (voiced by Chris Miller), Rico, the Skipper (voiced by Tom McGrath) and Private (voiced by Christopher Knights) prepare to launch Operation: Tourist Trap in a scene from Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa, which is currently in theatres.

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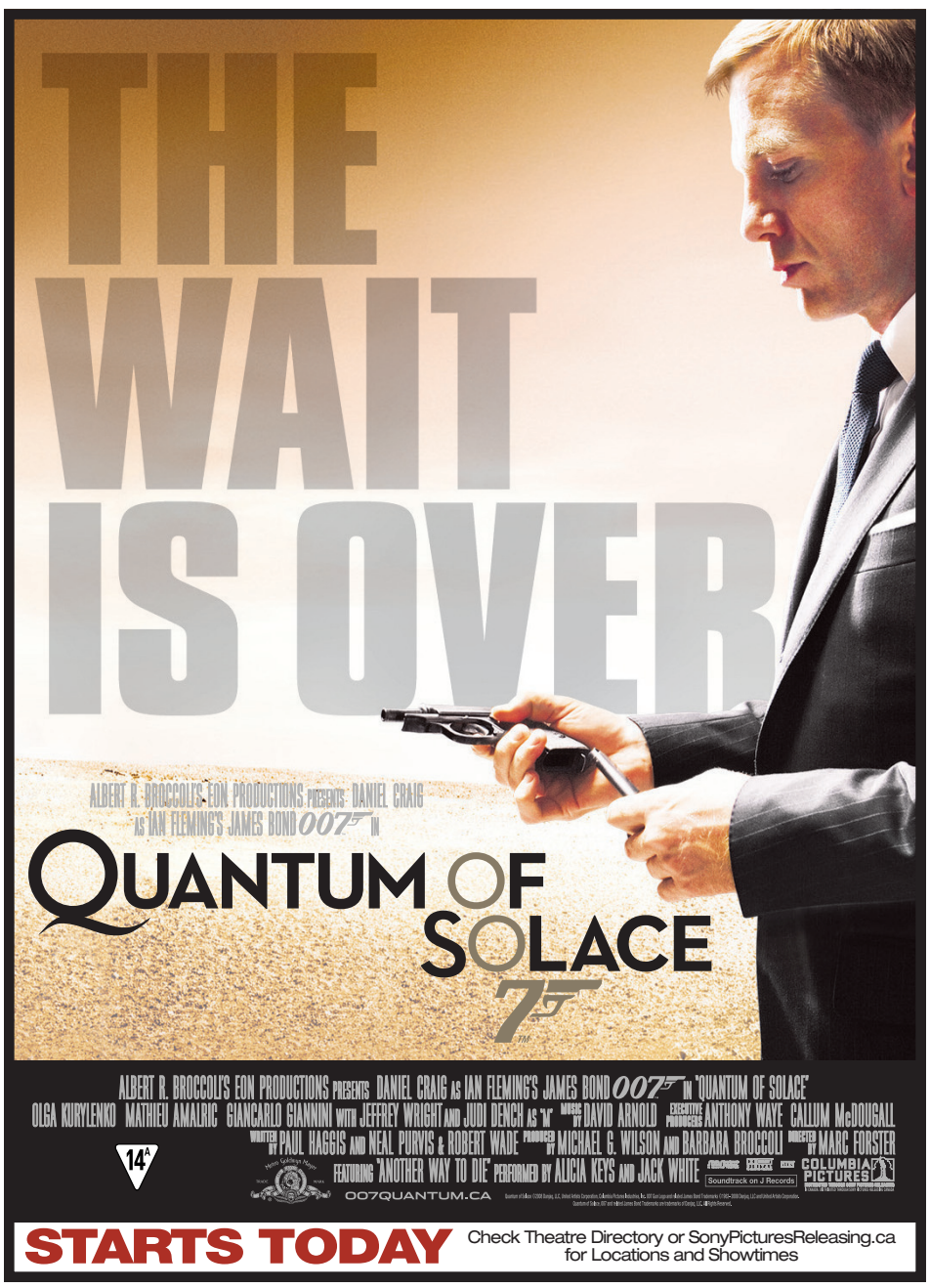

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GLOBE CINEMA
617-8 Avenue, 403-262-3308

Heaven on Earth (STC) Fri 7:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:30-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:30
The Secret Life of Bees (PG) Fri 7-9:25 Sat-Sun 1-3:25-7-9:25 Mon-Thu 7-9:25

MOVIEDOME
1039 999 36 St., 403-248-2000

The Dark Knight (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-7:30
Dostana (STC) Fri-Thu 2-6:30-8-9:15
Igor (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:05
Journey to the Center of the Earth (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4-10:05
Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-10
Mamma Mia! (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:35-6:50-9:40
My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri-Thu 7-9:50
Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:55-7:05-9:45
Righteous Kill (14A) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:40-6:55-9:55
WALL-E (G) Fri-Thu 1-3:50-6:40

SCOTIABANK CHINOOK
6455 MacLeod Trail, 403-212-8994

Body of Lies (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-4:10-7:20-10:25
Bolt in Disney Digital 3D (G) Sat 7
Changeling (14A) Fri-Wed 12:15-3:40-7:05-10:20 Thu 4-7:05-10:20 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
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Fall HD Concert Series - InDef Sessions Series 2 (STC) Wed 9:30
High School Musical 3: Senior Year (G) Fri 1-7:05-10 Sat 1-10 Sun-Tue 1-7:05-10 Wed 1-10 Thu 1-7:05-10
High School Musical 3: Senior Year Sing-Along (G) Fri-Thu 4
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Role Models (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:10-10:10
Salome (Strauss) - Metropolitan Opera - Encore Presentation (STC) Sat 11
Saw V (18A) Fri-Thu 12:35-2:50-5:10-7:45-10:30
Twilight (PG) No Passes Thu 10
Zack and Miri Make a Porno (18A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:10-7:15-10:10

PLAZA THEATRE
1133 Kensington Rd., 403-283-3636

Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas (14A) Fri 11:30
Found Footage Film Festival (STC) Fri 7
Gonzo: The Life and Work of Dr. Hunter S. Thompson (14A) Fri 9:30 Sat 2:20-12 Sun 2:20-9:30 Mon-Tue 4:30-9:30 Wed-Thu 9:30
Rock, Paper, Scissors: The Way of the Tosser (STC) Sat 9
Tell No One (14A) Fri 4:25 Sat-Sun 12-7 Mon-Tue 7 Wed-Thu 4:25-7
Zeitgeist (STC) Sat 4:30
Zeitgeist Addendum (STC) Sun 4:30

SUNRIDGE SPECTRUM
2555 32nd Street, 403-717-1200

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Zack and Miri Make a Porno (18A) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:30-7:20-10:20

UPTOWN STAGE & SCREEN
612 8th Ave., 403-265-0120

Choke (18A) Fri 5:10 Sat-Sun 12:45-5:10 Mon-Thu 5:10
Dirty Country (STC) Fri 10:45 Mon-Thu 10:45
Happy-Go-Lucky (14A) Fri 7-9:15 Sat-Sun 2:45-7-9:15 Mon-Thu 7-9:15
I.O.U.S.A. (G) Fri 5 Sat-Sun 1:10-5 Mon-Thu 5
Outsourced (PG) Fri 6:50-8:50 Sat-Sun 3-6:50-8:50 Mon-Thu 6:50-8:50

WESTHILLS 10
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The bestselling albums at Amazon.ca
1. And Winter Came, Enya, right; **2.** Let It Snow, Michael Bublé; **3.** A Winter Symphony, Sarah Brightman; **4.** Soul, Seal; **5.** Black Ice, AC/DC. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Blunt words

Singer readies to guest edit Metro worldwide

JIM REYNO
Metro Canada

How's this for a headline: Brangelina Share Café Latte En Route To Adoption Agency. Not on James Blunt's watch.

The multimillion-selling singer-songwriter will be Metro International's first global guest editor for the Nov. 17 edition.

"I don't think celebrity coverage is that interesting, really," Blunt said in a recent interview, adding that the media should "temper" their coverage of fluff with more serious stuff.

And don't give him that line about the media being a mere reflection of what's happening in the world, as one editor said long ago to a young reporter.

"You have drug addicts and you have drug dealers," Blunt said on his cellphone before a concert in Nurnberg, Germany. "Your (former) boss is saying he's the drug dealer, and he's not to blame then, is he? The addicts need help."

Blunt, whose breakout hit was You're Beautiful in 2005, says the worldwide, free Metro can lead the way to less frivolous coverage.

"I think, probably, something like Metro … (is) in a relatively good position to approach journalism for the original reasons, which is presumably to investigate and inform people," he said. "Whereas if your focus purely becomes newspaper sales — suddenly the truth is less interesting over what is sensationalistic.

"So I definitely think a balance has to be found."

Blunt, whose first two albums have sold more than 14 million copies worldwide, says he jumped at the chance to get a behind-the-scenes look at a newspaper.

"The power of the media is phenomenal," said the 34-year-old Brit. "In a way, one could argue that they decide governments in the first place. Definitely, at least, in Britain."

Blunt will work with global editor-in-chief Sakari Pitkanen at Metro's Rome office in advance of the Nov. 17 issue.

"We have a few topics we're going to work up together," said Blunt. "He's going to show me the ropes, really, and discuss what's going on in the world today. It will be really interesting to do that.

"It's a pretty amazing period of time right now, and I see that from being on tour."

Blunt, who served six years in the British army, kicks off the Canadian leg of his 14-month world tour Nov. 17 in Vancouver. He'll play 12 dates here, including three in Alberta, where he spent six months in 1998 at CFB Suffield.

"On the Canadian prairie, which is an amazing place to be," said Blunt. "I saw the Northern Lights at night, and moose and wolves running past. A really beautiful part of the world."

new gig

• On Monday, James Blunt will become Metro International's first global guest editor. Pick up Metro to read Blunt's column in the Comments & Views section and more!

WARNER MUSIC PHOTO

James Blunt plays the Pengrowth Saddledome on Nov. 20.

Movie will trace Jerry Garcia's life

MOVIES The producing duo behind Election and Little Miss Sunshine are developing a biopic about Grateful Dead frontman Jerry Garcia.

The untitled project aims to reveal the roots of the counterculture icon, focusing primarily on Garcia's early life in the Bay Area before he joined the band that would become the Grateful Dead. The period includes a stint in the military, a life-changing car accident and his encounters with the Northern California music scene. REUTERS

TOP 10
MOBILE DOWNLOADS
1 Whatever You Like T.I.
2 Let It Rock Kevin Rudolf
3 Womanizer Britney Spears
4 Live Your Life T.I. ft. Rihanna
5 So What Pink
6 Hit N Cold Katy Perry
7 My Life The Game
8 Just Dance Lady GaGa
9 Right Now Akon
10 Rock N'Roll Train AC/DC
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Beware of the cell ban

Chatty drivers are only one distraction

SoundCheck

Alan Cross
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I I was in the car on my way to — I forget, but it must been somewhere important — when my iPhone started to trill. I tried to ignore it, and it was agony. I'm from the Pavlovian school of communications: If a phone rings, I must answer it. But this time, I let it vibrate across the passenger seat until it fell lemming-like onto the floor and safely out of reach. I considered the whole harrowing incident as practice for when Canada brings in the inevitable no-talking-on-a-mobile-while-driving law.

Like you, I've been cut off or nearly hit by chatty cell morons and I've seen all the stats about how talking and driving dangerously dilutes concentration, so I understand why so many jurisdictions are banning the use of handheld cellphones while behind the wheel.

Black and white issue, right? Stop people from talking on their cellphones behind the wheel and started counting the lives saved.

Well, not quite. What about all the musical distractions that we face in the cockpit these days? Some of them can be every bit as deadly as talking on a handset.

Scanning through radio stations diverts attention from the road. Changing CDs at 100 km/h isn't smart. RDS readouts — the information some radio stations imperfectly scroll across the display of suitably equipped radios — can pull eyes in the wrong direction.

Then there's the growing popularity of iPod interfaces with car audio systems. Some involve running a cable from the headphone jack to an aux input somewhere on the dashboard or a fancy connection that integrates an iPod into the factory radio in the dash. Either way, you're going to fiddle with your iPod's playlists when you really should be worrying about keeping it between the ditches.

Meanwhile, many new car audio systems incorporate large hard drives with high-tech displays, essentially turning the dashboard into one big iPod.

What about all the musical distractions that we face in the cockpit these days? Some of them can be every bit as deadly as talking on a handset.

And it's only going to get worse as more manufacturers figure out ways to put WiFi connectivity in cars. Audi and Chrysler already do. Imagine being in traffic with a dude who insists on surfing the Internet on the way to work.

Cracking down on cellphone users behind the wheel is a smart and politically popular idea. But could be a slippery slope if everything beyond this is taken into consideration.

Meanwhile, don't get BMW owners started on their iDrive systems.

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P. Diddy to appear on CSI

P. Diddy is to appear in the hit TV show CSI: Miami, playing a federal prosecutor in two episodes of the crime drama. The episodes are scheduled to be aired in early 2009. **FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK**

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Metro's 7th **Heaven** will return

Gervais on Sesame St.

SO WHAT IS IT WITH YOU AND BERT, NOT THAT I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT OR ANYTHING: Ricky Gervais has been asked to do a guest spot on Sesame Street, an honour that has been bestowed on everyone from Laura Bush and Jack Black to Max Headroom and Yo-Yo Ma, and which signals the likelihood that, no matter what horrible thing you do for the rest of your life, somebody's grandmother can be called upon to describe you as "a nice person, but they've obviously got a few problems."

Gervais, who has already appeared in animated form in The Simpsons and Grand Theft Auto IV, and told the BBC that "there are some things you don't turn down." Gervais also said that he was reluctant to accept a rumoured offer to host the Oscars, and his website broke the news that a revival of Extras for one more Christmas special had reached the stage where he's asked Danny DeVito, Michael Douglas and Al Pacino to appear in the show. What, precisely, Al Pacino might do to embarrass himself on the show that he hasn't already surpassed in his last 15 years of film roles remains to be seen, of course.

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GETTY IMAGES

Comedian Ricky Gervais has been asked to do a guest spot on Sesame Street.

WHAT'S ONE STEP BELOW TEMP?: In related Office news, B. J. Novak will be taking a break from playing Ryan the temp-turned-executive-turned-jailbird-turned-temp-receptionist on the NBC show. Novak has a role in Quentin Tarantino's new film, according to an Entertainment Weekly story, and will be gone from Dunder Mifflin for several episodes, which might turn out to be a permanent absence according to another source, who said that Novak thinks that Ryan has played himself out.

This might solve the problem of bringing Jenna Fischer back after a mostly Pam-less season, which EW seems to think is the only way to bring season five to a satisfying conclusion, even if it will deprive Michael of his disturbing man-crush, and the show of one of its best running gags.

Frankly, I'm amazed that an afterthought character like Ryan has turned out to be so resilient, though if I'm forced to be honest, it still seems like a miracle that the show has gone on so long after exhausting the inspiration it took from Ricky Gervais' original. It's like imagining that Happy Days spin-offs like Blansky's Beauties and Joanie Loves Chachi ended up running as long as The Simpsons and have a whole Trivial Pursuit game devoted to them.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

South Park makes spoof of election

Rick's TV **Picks**

South **Park**

Air date: Today
Network: Comedy Network

TREY PARKER AND Matt Stone maintain their reputation for topicality with a spoof of the recent U.S. election filtered through the Ocean's 11 films. While South Park's adults run riot celebrating Obama's election, the presidential candidates reveal their plan to steal the Hope Diamond. As usual, the real satirical venom is in the context, not the plot.

Desperate **Housewives**

Air date: Sunday
Network: CTV

GUEST STARS FOR the night's show are indie rock band Tokyo Police Club. I haven't a clue what it means, but it's fun to write.

— RICK MCGINNIS/METRO CANADA

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Bachelor back together with co-star
Word is The Bachelor star Charlie O'Connell and Sarah Brice, whom he offered the token final rose to back in 2005, are back together after they'd broken up last year. EW.COM

Mix of Six

HOT & HAPPENING WEEKEND EVENTS AROUND THE CITY

Girl's Got Chops: Jill Barber performs

When: Tonight 8 p.m.
Where: 506-4th St. SW

Canadian songstress Jill Barber brings her old-school sultry sound to the Knox United Church (506-4th Str. SW) tonight.

The venue's charm is the perfect match for Barber's smoky sexy vibe.

Tickets are $25 on Ticketmaster.

The church's heavy doors will be propped open at 8 p.m.

Stroumboulopoulos in action at Hyatt

When: Lunch time
Where: Hyatt Regency

There's not a Canadian woman alive between the ages of 24 and 35 who isn't completely enamored with George Stroumboulopoulos. Witness Strombo's brilliance in action today at the Bob Edwards award luncheon at the Hyatt Regency.

Tickets are $95. Email emuraki@atplive.com early to snag a spot.

The Original Renegade Journo

When: Tonight
Where: Plaza in Kensington

Although Gonzo: The Life & Work of Dr. Hunter S. Thompson skips over the dismal last part of his writing career, its glorification of his anti-heroism makes up for it.

The Plaza in Kensington provides excellent ambiance to see this particular doc.

Gonzo opens tonight for one week only.

Ambient sound speaking volumes

When: Tonight at 8 p.m.
Where: 1004 Macleod Trail SE

Stride Gallery opens a work with audio appeal tonight at 8 p.m. Artist Joseph Kohnke's Hollow consists of 15 separate pieces, each constructed from a wooden box, motor, harmonica, and CPR mouth. Each makes its own sound. Kohnke also speaks tonight at 9:30 p.m. in Room AB672 at the University of Calgary.

Midway State takes over Marquee

When: Saturday, 10 p.m.
Where: Marquee Room

The Midway State plays the Marquee Room Saturday. Tickets are $12 upon arrival.

Upstairs in the Uptown on 8th Avenue, the bar also functions as a gallery space.

The current exhibit, Relevance of Feminism, is billed as "a current look at the state of the F-word."

It runs until Nov. 28.

F is for fundraising on the Fifteenth

When: Saturday
Where: Willowdale Wine & Spirits

In support of its fund for senior's housing, Willowpark Wine & Spirits hosts 15th on the Fifteenth. Highlights: famous winery owners on hand, a chance to win a winery trip in California or Tuscany and scrumptious food from Calgary's Belgian bistro, Belgo. To reserve a $200 ticket, call 296-1640 ext 221.

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FRIDAY

CA	Vu SC	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime 11/14/08	243 317 3 CFCN	etalk	Hollywood	Law & Order		Ghost Whisperer (N)		Super-Manny (N)		News (N)
	- 371 5 KXLY	4 News at 6	4 News at 6:30	Entertainment	The Insider (N)	Supernanny (N)		Super-Manny (N)		20/20 (N)
	245 306 6 CBRT	Coronation St.	Jeopardy! (N)	Air Farce-Final	Rick Mercer	Doctor Who (N)		CBC News: The National		The Hour
	244 338 7 CICT	ET Canada	Entertainment	Life		NUMB3RS		NUMB3RS "Power"		News Hour
	246 - 8 CKAL	Law & Order: SVU		Secret Life of American Teen		Lipstick Jungle (N)		Crusoe (HDTV) (N)		Your City
	119 705 9 CBXFT	Du coeur au ventre (SC)		Paquet voleur (HDTV) (SC)		Une heure sur Terre (SC)		Le Téléjournal (N) (SC)		TJ Alberta
	- 372 12 KREM	News (N)	Hollywood	The Doctors (N)		Ghost Whisperer (N)		Price Is Right Salutes		NUMB3RS
	- 374 14 KSPS	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Wash. Week	McLaughlin	Bill Moyers Journal (N)		NOW on PBS	Being Served	Vicar of Dibley
	- 370 16 KHQ	News (N)	Be-Millionaire	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel-Fortune	Deal or No Deal (N)		Crusoe (HDTV) (N)		Lipstick Jungle
	- 373 22 KAYU	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Don't Forget the Lyrics!		News (N)
news	502 390 15 CBC	CBC News: The National		CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National		CBC News: The National		fifth estate
	500 500 29 CNN	Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)				Larry King Live		Cooper 360
	501 391 52 CTV	CTV Newsnet		News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News
sports	400 400 21 TSN	NBA Basketball: Nuggets at Celtics			SportsCentre (HDTV) (Live)			2008 World Series of Poker (HDTV)		
	408 418 27 net	Boxing				Hockey Central	Flames Week	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		UFC 91 Count.
family	552 543 20 YTV	The Mighty B!	iCarly	*The Perfect Man* ★★ (2005, Romance-Comedy)				Smallville "Wrath"		Dark Oracle
	557 541 39 FAM	Zoey 101	Latest Buzz	Wizards-Place	*Jump In!* (2007, Drama) Corbin Bleu.			*Surf Ninjas* ★ (1993, Comedy) Ernie Reyes Jr..		
cable variety	- - 18 CHTV	The Insider (N)	E News	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Deal or No Deal (N)		20/20 (HDTV) (N)		News (N)
	603 561 25 FOOD	Chef Abroad	The Wild Chef	Diner, Drive-In	Diner, Drive-In	Restaurant Makeover		Challenge Sandwiches.		Chef Abroad
	615 520 26 A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami "Sunblock"		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
	617 522 32 SHOW	EastEnders	Little Britain	The Best Years (DVS)		The Guard (HDTV)		Testees	Kenny-Spenny	Webdreams
	520 505 35 DISC	Man vs. Wild		Dinosaurs: Return to Life?		Daily Planet		Man vs. Wild		Greensburg
	628 584 43 SPIKE	The Ultimate Fighter						MANswers	MANswers	GameTrailers
	522 516 45 HIST	Bloody Victory		NCIS "Chained"		Battlefield Mysteries		Go Deep "Beaufighters"		Ax Men
	581 566 102 MTV	Paris Hilton's My New BFF		The Hills	The Hills	After Show	Girls-Latitude	Real World-Road Rules		The Hills

SATURDAY

CA	Vu SC	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime 11/15/08	243 317 3 CFCN	W-FIVE (N)		*Wedding Crashers* ★★★ (2005, Comedy) Owen Wilson.				Wedding	Big Bang Th	News (N)
	- 371 5 KXLY	College Football: BC at FSU or Okla. St. at Colo.					The Insider (N)	Entertainment Tonight		Storm Stories
	245 306 6 CBRT	NHL Hockey		NHL Hockey Colorado Avalanche at Edmonton Oilers. (HDTV) (Live)					HNIC -- After Hours	
	244 338 7 CICT	Disasters of the Century		Turning Points of History		Painkiller Jane		Kenny-Spenny	Kenny-Spenny	News (N)
	246 - 8 CKAL	Survivorman (DVS)		Kaya "Pilot"	Less-Kind	*Childstar* ★ (2004, Comedy-Drama) Don McKellar.				The City Show
	119 705 9 CBXFT	Le Moment de vérité (SC)		3600 secondes d'extase (SC)		Dre Grey, leçons d'anatomie		Le Téléjournal	Tellement	*La Recrue* (SC)
	- 372 12 KREM	News (N)	Scrubs	A New Smile, a New Life		*Wedding Crashers* ★★★ (2005, Comedy) Owen Wilson.				48 Hr. Mystery
	- 374 14 KSPS	The Lawrence Welk Show		May-December	Time Goes By	*The Last Emperor* ★★★★ (1987, Biography) John Lone, Joan Chen.				
	- 370 16 KHQ	News (N)	Raymond	CSI: NY (HDTV)		Knight Rider (HDTV)		The Office	Saturday Night Live	
	- 373 22 KAYU	Boston Legal		House "Heavy"		Cops (N)	Cops	America's Most Wanted		News (N)
news	502 390 15 CBC	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	Doc Zone (HDTV)		Sat. Report	Weekend	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	Doc Zone
	500 500 29 CNN	CNN Presents: Jonestown		D.L. Hughley Breaks the News		Special Investigations		Larry King Live		D.L. Hughley
	501 391 52 CTV	CTV Newsnet-Scott Laurie		News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News
sports	400 400 21 TSN	Boxing: Barrera vs. Ventura		(8:15) Boxing Jeff Lacy vs. Jermain Taylor. (HDTV) (Live)					SportsCentre	Morning Light
	408 418 27 net	English Premier League Soccer Teams TBA.				The Ultimate Fighter		Saturday Night Poker		Sportsnet Con.
family	552 543 20 YTV	Adrenaline Proj	Adrenaline	Wolverine	Transformers	Naruto	Blue Dragon	Zatch Bell (N)	Bleach	Storm Hawks
	557 541 39 FAM	Natural-Sadie	Flight 29 Down	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	*Hometown Legend* ★★ (2002, Drama)		
cable variety	- - 18 CHTV	E News	The Soup	The Soup Presents		Dr. 90210 (N)		Forbes TV 20: Famous		E News
	603 561 25 FOOD	Top Chef	Dinner Imposs.	Kitchen Nightmares		The F Word		Top Chef "Melting Pot"		
	615 520 26 A&E	(6) *The Andromeda Strain* (2008, Science Fiction) Benjamin Bratt, Ricky Schroder.						*The Andromeda Strain* (2008)		
	617 522 32 SHOW	Queen of Swords		About a Girl	Kink in Hair	*Time and Again* (2007, Drama) Brooke Burns.				*Talladega Ngts*
	520 505 35 DISC	Canada's Worst Driver		Criss Angel	Criss Angel	A Haunting		Canada's Worst Driver		Criss Angel
	628 584 43 SPIKE	UFC 91 Countdown (HDTV)		Disorderly Conduct: Video		Disorderly Conduct: Video		Disorderly Conduct: Video		Disorderly
	522 516 45 HIST	The Road to Passchendaele		NCIS "Bikini Wax"		Ancestors in the Attic		*The Great Escape* ★★★★ (1963, War)		
	581 566 102 MTV	Girls-Latitude	After	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Girls-Latitude

SUNDAY

CA	Vu SC	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime 11/16/08	243 317 3 CFCN	Star Wars Clo.	Degrassi: Next	Without a Trace (N)		The Amazing Race 13		Desperate Housewives		News (N)
	- 371 5 KXLY	News	Storm Stories	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives		Brothers
	245 306 6 CBRT	Heartland (N) (DVS)		The Nature of Things (N)		Anne Murray: Friends		CBC News: Sunday Night (N)		fifth estate
	244 338 7 CICT	renegadepress	The Simpsons	Brothers & Sisters (N)		The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	News (N)
	246 - 8 CKAL	Murdoch	Friends	Easy Money (HDTV)		Valentine (HDTV)		Crusoe (HDTV)		Reviews
	119 705 9 CBXFT	Découverte (N)	Et Dieu créa	Tout le monde en parle (HDTV) (SC)				(10:15) Le Téléjournal (SC)		SMASH (SC)
	- 372 12 KREM	News (N)		60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		The Amazing Race 13		Cold Case (HDTV) (N)		The Unit
	- 374 14 KSPS	Spain ... On the Road Again		Nature (HDTV) (N) (DVS)		Masterpiece Contemporary "Filth" (N)			Masterpiece Mystery!	
	- 370 16 KHQ	(6:15) NFL Football Dallas Cowboys at Washington Redskins.					Best Sports	Law & Order: SVU		CSI: NY
	- 373 22 KAYU	House "Role Model"		King of the Hill	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	News (N)
news	502 390 15 CBC	CBC News: Sunday Night (N)		*Hold Me Tight, Let Me Go* (2007, Documentary)				CBC News: Sunday Night		*Hold Me*
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	501 391 52 CTV	CTV Newsnet-Scott Laurie		News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News
sports	400 400 21 TSN	(6:15) NFL Football Dallas Cowboys at Washington Redskins.					SportsCentre		NASCAR Now (HDTV) (N)	
	408 418 27 net	Red Bull: Air Race						Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Ult. Fighter
family	552 543 20 YTV	*Are We There Yet?* ★★ (2005, Comedy) Ice Cube.				SpongeBob	Prank Patrol	The Next Star		Falcon Beach
	557 541 39 FAM	Natural-Sadie	Flight 29 Down	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	*Doc Hollywood* (1991, Romance-Comedy)		
cable variety	- - 18 CHTV	Instant Beauty Pageant		Hot Holiday 16	Behind-Scenes	Extreme Makeover: Home		Real Housewives of OC		FANatical
	603 561 25 FOOD	Iron Chef America		Jamie's Kitchen Australia		Chef School	At the Table	Challenge		Iron Chef Am.
	615 520 26 A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami "Speed Kills"		CSI: Miami "Darkroom"		CSI: Miami
	617 522 32 SHOW	*Talladega Ngts*	Kink in Hair	The Guard (HDTV)		*Secret Lives* (2005, Suspense) Daphne Zuniga.				Weeds
	520 505 35 DISC	Commandments-Mafia		MythBusters		Anthony Bourdain		Ten Commandments of the Mafia		
	628 584 43 SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scn
	522 516 45 HIST	(6:30) Band of Brothers		Band of Brothers		Band of Brothers		Band of Brothers "Points"		
	581 566 102 MTV	(6) TRL Finale Special		Cribs	Cribs	After	MTV News	MTV Shuffle		Girls-Latitude

Wolf child
Former Party Of Five star Scott Wolf is expecting his first child. The actor and his wife Kelly are expecting a baby boy, he said. The couple did not reveal a due date. **IMDB.COM**

Celebrity Buzz

Aniston all about honesty

PEOPLE Jennifer Aniston has played down scathing comments she made about actress Angelina Jolie in a recent interview, insisting she answered questions "as honestly" as she could, imdb.com reports.

The actress blasted Jolie as "uncool" in a candid chat with Vogue magazine, just weeks after her ex-husband Brad Pitt's partner revealed they fell in love on the set of 2005 movie Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

Aniston and Pitt split in 2005, after which Pitt set up home with Jolie, becoming a father to three adopted children, as well as having another three biological babies with her.

Aniston opened up again in an interview with talk-show host Oprah Winfrey, admitting she decided to finally pass comment on Jolie's behaviour because she wanted to be truthful.

When quizzed on the revelation by Winfrey on her show, which was scheduled to air yesterday, Aniston explains, "I basically just answered it (Jolie question) as honestly as I could."

But Aniston refused to bash her ex-partner, insisting she is proud of Pitt's achievements since they decided to divorce.

"He's done some amazing things."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Miley stays mum on rumoured romance

RELATIONSHIP Teen star Miley Cyrus has vowed to keep her lips locked about her love life, insisting she's "thrown away the key" when quizzed about boyfriend Justin Gaston, imdb.com reports.

The 15-year-old Hannah Montana star has admitted to dating Gaston, five years her senior, as their relationship has heated up in recent months.

But Cyrus insists she has had enough of the relentless rumours about her love life, since her romance with singer Nick Jonas reportedly sparked a love rivalry with fellow teen star Selena Gomez earlier this year.

When asked about her boyfriend on Good Morning America, Cyrus hesitates: "Um, I'm going to keep that one zip-tight, locked and throw away the key."

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A-Rod's affection makes Madonna all mushy

POET? Pop star Madonna and baseball star Alex Rodriguez are turning to mush over each other, PageSix.com reports.

Sources close to Madonna tell the Chicago Sun-Times she's so smitten with her rumoured Yankee lover, she told a friend, he "has the heart of a poet trapped inside an insanely gorgeous body." Rodriguez, meanwhile, has reportedly been writing "sweet, personal expressions of his feelings."

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Paris gets friendly with Harry's girl

FRIENDS Paris Hilton may have her sights set on a regal Best Friend Forever — she's hit it off with Prince Harry's girlfriend, imdb.com reports, after The hotel heiress met Chelsy Davy on a night out in London last month.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

J. Lo wants one more child

BABY Jennifer Lopez is reportedly "trying to make one more baby" with husband Marc Anthony, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The singer/actress, who welcomed her first children, into the world in February, is said to be trying to conceive again. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

Portman 'homeless'

PEOPLE Natalie Portman is having "trouble" living at home with her parents again, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The actress, who recently moved back home, admits there are some aspects of returning to her childhood house that are causing issues. "I'm homeless at the moment so I am residing with my parents. It's rough. It was cool in the beginning because I got good meals and my laundry done but it turns into trouble," she is quoted as saying. It was recently revealed Portman and her boyfriend Devendra Banhart are no longer dating.

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Pregnancy follows Changeling role

KIDS Angelina Jolie's new film role as a desperate mom in Changeling helped leave her pregnant with twins, the actress confesses. Jolie said she became pregnant with Knox and Vivienne while shooting the movie.

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Kanye on search for Miss Right

MARRIAGE Kanye West is looking for Miss Right, People.com reports. ?? "I want to have kids," he says. "But I want to have the right girl too — someone who really cares about me." ??

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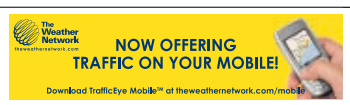
Saturday Partly cloudy 13° / -6°
Sunday Wet flurries 4° / -7°



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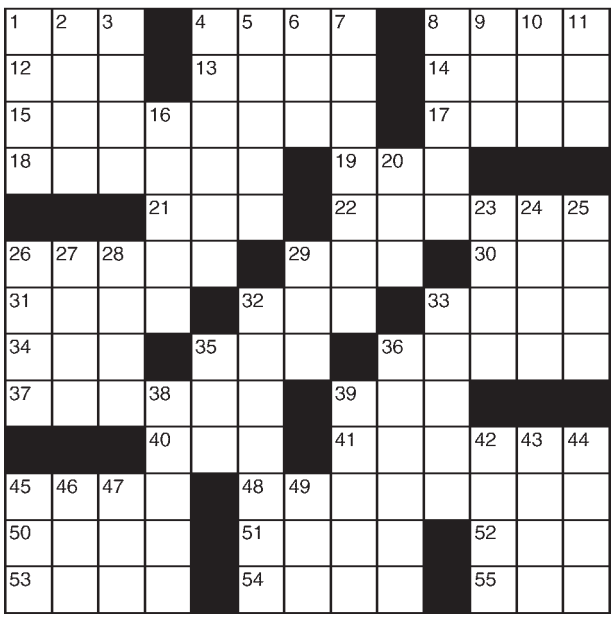

Crossword across

1 Swiffer ancestor
4 Surrounded by
8 Staff leader?
12 In days past
13 Loutish one
14 Groucho-esque look
15 Loyal
17 Unctuous
18 Foursome
19 Scatter seeds
21 Unfriendly
22 George Hamilton trademark
26 Oddball
29 Lustrous black
30 Greek vowel
31 Radius neighbor
32 Unopened rose
33 Pirates' beverage
34 Spelling contest
35 Mrs. Al Bundy
36 Ends a relationship with
37 Got real angry
39 Wire measure
40 9mm submachine gun
41 Fit for farming
45 Boston is one variety
48 Author of Old West novels
50 It takes the cake
51 Grand tale
52 Census statistic
53 Group of quail
54 Tidy
55 Pantheon member

Crossword down

1 Damon or Dillon
2 Shrek is one
3 Sulk
4 Monastery head's office
5 Like old bread
6 Debtor's letters
7 Clad
8 Circus favorite
9 Floral garland
10 Moray, for one
11 Sauté
16 "All My Children" role
20 Chic no longer
23 Expression
24 On
25 No Derby winners
26 Long sandwiches
27 Entreaty
28 From the start
29 Moonshine container
32 Adorn gaudily
33 Labor camp
35 Dispensable candy
36 Straightforward
38 Overly soft and liquid
39 Craze
42 Boast
43 Building-block name
44 Watched
45 Watch chain
46 Leading lady?
47 Gun the engine
49 Mimic

Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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9	4	8	1	2	3	5	6	7
8	7	1	2	6	5	3	4	9
6	2	4	3	7	9	1	8	5
3	5	9	4	8	1	2	7	6

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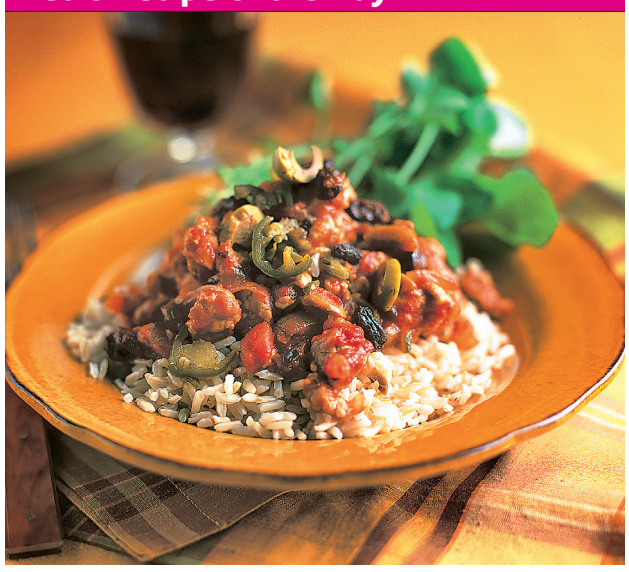
Under 13 min .....Genius
13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min .....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day



Picadillo With Rice

INGREDIENTS:
1 tbsp (15 mL) vegetable oil
1 large onion, finely chopped
3 garlic cloves, crushed
1 lb (500 g) lean ground pork
2 cups passata or a lightly diluted tomato pasta sauce
2/3 cup (150 mL) raisins
1/4 cup (50 mL) pitted green olives, coarsely chopped
1/4 cup (50 mL) pickled sliced jalapeños, finely chopped
1 tsp (5 mL) dried oregano
1 cup (250 mL) long-grain white rice
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

METHOD:
1. Heat oil in a large frying pan over a moderate heat. Add onion and garlic and cook for 5 minutes, stirring frequently, until onion is soft.

2. Add pork and cook, stirring constantly to break up large lumps, for 3 minutes until no longer pink. Add passata, raisins, olives, jalapeños and dried oregano to the pan. Season with salt and freshly ground black pepper, bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 15–20 minutes, stirring frequently, until pork is cooked through and flavours have melded together.

3. Meanwhile, cook rice according to the packet instructions.

4. Divide rice among four plates. Serve minced meat mixture over the top.

PER SERVING
504 calories, 14 g total fat, 4 g saturated fat, 69 g carbohydrate, 4 g fibre, 25 g protein
SERVES 4

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Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Don't boast about being self-confident. An insult won't be shocking. A stranger will smile at you.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Overcome disappointment by telling a funny story. Brainstorming will reveal a hidden advantage. Perspective is provided by a woman.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
You'll forget to keep a secret. Demand equal time for relaxation. Conflict with a macho man makes a situation creepy.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
A man despairs about stepping into somebody's shoes. Create a cut-off point for a drama. A beggar is tired of a dangerous life.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
Get past needing anyone to understand your feelings. A woeful grumbler has a wonderful day. Avoid those who only confuse the situation.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
A great compliment will result from true effort. Someone's feelings are hurt by an unresolved issue. Find the courage to make a simple request.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Never substitute quantity for quality. An older person distresses a bad boy. An exhilarated buddy looks back at his previous misery.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
A significant person opens up to your visions. Worries are brought about by jealousy and illness. You thrive in chaos and confusion.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
Don't talk about your problems in detail. Nobody has the answer for an unusual question. Your apprehensions are unwarranted.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
The situation is not what it seems with a nuisance. A friend is delayed by a minor incident. Distress comes from visiting an elder.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
People will help you in unexpected ways. Try harder to deliver on a promise. A complicated taskmaster calls for understanding.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Having a strategy helps your efforts to succeed. An anxious woman needs to time to discuss misery. Open your mind to an animated stranger.

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